

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who admirably improve the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their accomplishments as volunteers; and

Whereas, Raymond A. Ritter, Jr., M.D., F.A.C.S., of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a physician who has been affiliated with Orthopaedic Associates since 1970; and

Whereas, Dr. Raymond Ritter will enhance his already impressive record of achievement when the Southeast Missouri Hospital Board of Trustees gives him well-deserved honors and accolades by presenting him with its Special Service Award; and

Whereas, Dr. Raymond Ritter served on the hospital's Board of Trustees from 1975 to 1980 and served both Southeast Missouri Hospital and Saint Francis Medical Center as Chief/Chairman of Orthopedics and the Department of Surgery, Secretary of the Executive Committee, and President of the medical staff; and

Whereas, a talented artist, Dr. Raymond Ritter is a member of the Southeast Missouri State University Friend of the Arts Advisory Board, is a member of the Southeast Missouri Arts Council Cooperative, and was the juror for the 2007 Art for the Health of It exhibition cosponsored by Southeast Missouri Hospital and the Arts Council of Southeast Missouri; and

Whereas, Dr. Raymond Ritter is a graduate of Washington University School of Medicine who also serves his hometown as a member of the Board of Chateau Girardeau; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Dr. Raymond Ritter at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the accomplishments garnered thus far in the life of Dr. Raymond Ritter and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon receiving a Special Service Award from the Southeast Missouri Hospital Board of Trustees; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Raymond A. Ritter, Jr., M.D., F.A.C.S., of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Nathan D. Cooper
District No. 158

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker